



Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
Office of Air Management  
**Rule Fact Sheet**  
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**DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENTS TO RULES CONCERNING PARTICULATE  
EMISSION LIMITATIONS FOR ROLLS-ROYCE ALLISON  
(ALLISON ENGINE COMPANY) IN MARION COUNTY  
#98-270(APCB)**

**Overview**

This rulemaking amends 326 IAC 6-1-12, the particulate matter emission limitations for Rolls-Royce Allison, formerly Allison Engine, in Marion County.

**Citations Affected**

Amends: 326 IAC 6-1-12

**Affected Persons**

The surrounding community members including citizens and industry, Southside Landfill, and Rolls-Royce Allison facilities located at 2001 South Tibbs Street, Indianapolis.

**Potential Cost**

There is no potential cost to the state due to these rulemaking changes. Rolls-Royce Allison projects a positive economic impact from this rule change due to a 5% reduction in energy costs.

**Description**

Rolls-Royce Allison (Allison Engine) operates an aircraft engine manufacturing facility in Indianapolis, Indiana. Rolls-Royce Allison has requested changes to 326 IAC 6-1-12(d) to allow five (5) boilers at Plant No. 5 and Plant No. 8 to burn landfill gas or methane as an alternate fuel. Methane is a naturally occurring byproduct from the

decomposition of organic landfill materials. The draft amendment provides that the use of #4 fuel oil shall be decreased by one hundred sixteen hundred thousandths (.00116) gallon per cubic foot of landfill gas burned. Rolls-Royce Allison has not requested any change in their emission limits and can continue to meet their emission limits using methane gas. Other changes to the rule reflect a name change for the company and required conditions in their construction permit to burn the methane gas.

Southside Landfill has contracted with Rolls-Royce Allison to provide methane gas by 12-inch pipeline that is being constructed between the two (2) facilities. Rolls-Royce Allison has obtained a construction permit from the Environmental Resources Management Division (ERMD) and approval from the Utility Regulatory Commission to begin the project. Rolls-Royce Allison will purchase enough methane to produce approximately half of its annual steam requirement needed to power hot water boilers for heat, gas turbine engine manufacturing, and test operations.

There are clear environmental benefits to this rule change. First, Rolls-Royce Allison will make use of methane gas, a byproduct of Southside Landfill that is currently being burned off. In doing so, Rolls-Royce Allison

will reduce their reliance on fossil fuel. Rolls-Royce Allison estimates that using the methane gas will result in a 22 tons per year reduction of nitrogen oxides, one of the precursor pollutants to ozone formation. Central Indiana currently has air quality that threatens to exceed the one (1) hour and eight (8) hour ozone health standards.

### **Consideration of Factors Outlined in Indiana Code 13-14-8-4**

Indiana Code 13-14-8-4 requires that in adopting rules and establishing standards, the board shall take into account the following:

- 1) All existing physical conditions and the character of the area affected.
- 2) Past, present, and probable future uses of the area, including the character of the uses of surrounding areas.
- 3) Zoning classifications.
- 4) The nature of the existing air quality or existing water quality, as appropriate.
- 5) Technical feasibility, including the quality conditions that could be reasonably be achieved through coordinated control of all factors affecting the quality.
- 6) Economic reasonableness of measuring or reducing any particular type of pollution.
- 7) The right of all persons to an environment sufficiently uncontaminated as not to be injurious to:
  - (A) human, plant animal, or aquatic life; or
  - (B) the reasonable enjoyment of life and property.

### **Consistency with Federal Requirements**

The amended rule is consistent with federal rules and guidance.

### **IDEM Contact**

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